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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.
LONDON.—F. ALMAN, 11, Clement's Lane,
Leadenhall Street. GEORGE STREET, 30,
Cornhill. GORDON & GORCH, 121, Hol-
born Hill, E.C. DATER HENDY & Co.,
4 Old Jewry, E.C.
AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW
ZEALAND.—GORDON & GORCH, Mel-
bourne and Sydney.
SAN FRANCISCO and American Ports
generally.—WRITE & BAUER, San
Francisco.
CHINA.—SEALOW, DROWN & Co. Amoy,
Giles & Co. Foochow, THOMPSON &
Co. Shanghai, H. FONG & Co. Ma-
nilla, G. K. PETER & Co.

Departures.
July 18, 1868, for Shanghai.
18, 19, 20, for Singapore.
18, 19, 20, for Bangkok.
18, 19, 20, for Calcutta.

Under Despatch.
For Singapore, Penang, and Calcutta.
Per *Reiter*, on Tuesday at daylight, the
21st inst.
For Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
Per *Arratoon*, on Tuesday, the 21st
inst., at 5 A.M.
For Manila, Per *Santa Anna*, on Mon-
day, the 20th inst., at 4 P.M.

New Advertisements.
GREAT WORLD CIRCUS.
ENTIRE CHANGE OF PROGRAMME,
THIS (SATURDAY) EVENING,
July 18th, 1868.

Third Appearance
OF
Mlle. ADELE and Miss GEMMA,
AND OF THE
GUM ELASTIC MAN.
Double Trapeze
BY THE
BROTHERS, DUCROW.
AND
Comic Fantomine
OF THE
STATUE "ELANOR."
LADIES unaccompanied by Gentlemen
are not admitted to the First Class.
Saturday afternoon, grand day perform-
ance, for the accommodation of Families
and Children.

PRIZES OF ADMISSION.
First Class, \$2.00
Second Class, 1.00
Third Class, 50
Children half-price.
Performance to commence at 9 o'clock
precisely.
Hongkong, July 18, 1868.

**CONSIGNEES OF J & E 45 cases Preserved
Meats** shipped by Messrs RABON
Fitz & Co., Sydney N.S.W., per "*Runny
Hobson*," and consigned to order, are
herby informed that if not taken delivery
of on or before the 22nd inst., the same will
be landed and stored at their expense and
risk.
JOHN BURD & Co.
Hongkong, July 18, 1868. July 21

NOTICE.
GUARD AN ASSURANCE COMPANY
OF LONDON.
ESTABLISHED 1821.
CAPITAL 42,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed
Agents of the above Company for
Hongkong and Canton are prepared to
grant Policies at current rates.
OLYPHANT & Co.
Hongkong, July 17, 1868.

FOR SALE.
THE following WINES, &c., of superior
quality in lots to suit purchasers—
Engage Clichet dry CHAMPAGNE in
Pints and Quarts.
Sillery, Mousser, CHAMPAGNE.
A de Lutz & Fils CLARETS, Pints and
Quarts.
Villani CLARET, Quarts.
CHABLIS.
BURGUNDY.
Lefebvre-Austich, HOCK.
Ruedelshimer.
Fleur de Moselle.
Superior dry FINE SHERRY in 1 and 3
dozen cases.
Ray ALE, Quarts and Pints.
Barley STOUT, Quarts and Pints.
Hennessey BRANDY in 1 dozen cases.
A. de Lutz & Fils Brandy in 1 dozen
cases.
Apply to
CARLOWITZ & Co.
Hongkong, July 17, 1868.

FOR SALE.
MUSTZ'S YELLOW METAL 20 to 28
oz and Nails.
Apply to
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, July 17, 1868. July 17

NOTICE.
MR. GEORGE CROFTON is authorized to
sign for us by power of attorney.
THE BURNES & CO. LIMITED.
Hongkong, July 15, 1868. July 15

New Advertisements.

**HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.**
NOTICE is hereby given that the RE-
GISTRATION OF SHARES OF THE COR-
PORATION will be CLOSED from the
15th to the 30th day of July, current (both
days included), during which period no
transfer of Shares can be registered.
Y. KRESSER,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, July 10, 1868.

WANTED.
CONNAAGE to Swatow and Amoy for Two
Persons. The Handed Tons of
Dead Weight to Swatow and Four Hundred
Tons to Amoy.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
Hongkong, June 19, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned have been appointed
Agents at Hongkong, Canton and
Macao for the UNION OF HAMBURG
UNDERWRITERS, and beg to draw
attention to \$55-05 and \$127-14 of the
"Allgemeine See Versicherung Bedingung
von 1867," according to which all
documents to substantiate claims against
the Union of Hamburg Underwriters must
be certified by the Agents, or they will not
be recognized.
SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, June 16, 1868. July 16

CHU T SING.
SAIL MAKER,
No. 48, UPRATES.
English and American Canvas of the best
Brands constantly on Hand.
Hongkong, July 13, 1868. July 13

PURSUANT to an Order of the High
Court of Chancery made in a cause
of JARDINE & PEARCE, the Creditors of
ALEXANDER PEARCE, of Temple House
near Ballymore in the County of Sligo in
Ireland Esquire late a Partner in the Firm
of Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON AND COMPANY
of Hongkong China Merchants who died in
or about the month of May 1868 are on
or before the 20th day of November 1868 to
be paid by post prepaid to Messrs JARDINE
of No. 5 Bank Buildings in the City of
London the Solicitors of the Plaintiffs
ROBERT JARDINE and JAMES MACANDREW
the Executors of the said deceased their
Christian and surnames in full their
addresses and descriptions with the Christian
and surnames in full of any partner or
partners and full particulars of their claims
a statement of their accounts and the nature
of the securities if any held by them or in
default thereof they will be promptly
excluded from the benefit of the said Order.
Every Creditor holding any Security is to
produce the same before the Vice-Chancellor
GREGG at his Chambers situate at No. 11
New Square, Lincoln's Inn, Middlesex, on
the 27th day of November 1868 at One of
the Clock in the afternoon being the time
appointed for adjudicating on the said
Claims.
Dated this ninth day of May 1868.
EDWARD BLOXAM
Chief Clerk.

CHRISTADELPHIAN SYNAGOGUE.
QUEEN'S ROAD,
Opposite H. M. Naval Yard.
(CHRISTOU ADELPHOI).
MEET on the first day of the week at 11
A.M., for the breaking of Bread and
of Prayers, Acts 2-42. And at 4 P.M., to
read out of the Scriptures, if those things
concerning the Kingdom of God and the
name of Jesus (ancient) are so. Acts 8-
12 ver.
Hongkong, June 27, 1868. July 27

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

SILVER CHALLENGE CUP.
VALUE \$150.

OPEN to Members of the Association
only, and to become the property of
the person making the highest aggregate
Score at three competitions.
CONSTITUTION.
Ranges 200, 400 and 600 yards.
Seven Shots at each Range.
Rifle any; Whitworth's and Henry's to
allow 10 points, and other small rifles
12 points to Enfield on the total score
at each competition.
Any position.
Competitors can enter with more than
one Rifle. Entrance Fee \$5 each Rifle.
If sufficient number of entries are made
the first competition will take place on
SATURDAY, the 13th inst., commencing
at 3 P.M.
Members wishing to enter for the above
Cup will please forward their names to the
Secretary and state the description of Rifle
with which they intend to compete.
E. L. WOODIN,
Hon. Sec.
Hongkong, June 9, 1868.

SEA BATHING.
Macao and desirable of comfortable
SEA BATHING, the undersigned begs
leave to inform them, that Two first class
Bathing Machines, fitted with every neces-
sary convenience etc., are at their disposal.
Situate at the West End Praya Grande.
Prices.
1 Season Ticket for Family, \$20.00
1 Single Do. for 1 month, 5.00
Single Bathing, 25 cents each, or
5 Tickets per dollar.
Payment to be made at the House before
Bathing.
WM. GARDNER,
Proprietor.
Macao Hotel, June 8, 1868. July 8

Auctions.

SEEDS.
THIS Season's FLOWER, VEGETABLE
and GRASS SEEDS have arrived.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, July 16, 1868. July 16

**MRS. VINTON'S PRIVATE FAMILY
BOARDING ESTABLISHMENT.**
Hollywood Road, next door to the Hotel
des Etrangers.
Hongkong, May 1, 1867.

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned having PURCHASED
the Interest of the "WANCHI STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY" in the Peking
and Ship Masters that he is prepared
to furnish Daily Supplies of Soft BREAD
in various forms, to any part of the Col-
ony.
Also Ship BREAD of best quality and at
low rates constantly on hand or baked in
quantities at short notice.
Also Water, Butter, Soda and Sugar
BISCUITS by the Barrel, Tin or Pound.
Also Corn and Rye MEAL, HOMINY,
CORN STARCH, BICARB. SODA, Salu-
satus and Cream TARTAR.
FLOUR of best Brands constantly on
hand supplied by the Barrel, Bag, Tin or
Pound.
CAKE of all kinds baked to order.
The above is under the Superintendence
of Mr. JONATHAN PABSONS, and all orders
forwarded to him, at the Bakery, or left at
Messrs THOS. HUNT & Co.'s will receive
prompt attention.
L. P. WARD.
Hongkong, February 17, 1868.

AUCTIONS.
PUBLIC AUCTION.
SPECIAL SALE.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell
by Public Auction, in their Sales
Rooms, Queen's Road, on
TUESDAY,
21st inst., at 11 A.M.
The following GOODS, namely:
(For account of the concerned.)
F. & Co., W. H. (in cross) 474/483, 10
cases pints Bass's bottled ALE,
Ex "*Dumfries*," More or less damaged.
10 cases each 6 kegs BUTTER, in
excellent condition.
83 cases Genuine Hennessey's BRAN-
DY, without reserve.
And,
In their Praya Godowns, at 11.15 A.M.,
Ex "*Cyclone*,"
29 12-pounder CANNONS.
74 18
21 Corgie RIFLES.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
All lots, with all faults and errors of
description, at Purchaser's risk on the
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PUBLIC AUCTION.
VALUABLE LIBRARY.
THE Undersigned have been instructed
to sell by Public Auction,
On a day to be named hereafter,
A valuable collection of BOOKS, in-
cluding:
A complete copy of the BRITISH Es-
sayISTS.
A perfect edition of the BRITISH Poets
in 50 Volumes.
A number of Scientific Works, and
many other literary productions of the
first order.
Being the property of a Gentleman
who has given up house-keeping.
Catalogues will be issued shortly, after
which the Books may be sold by private
contract.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery
in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.
All Lots with all faults and errors of
description at purchaser's risk on the fall
of the hammer.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, July 11, 1868.

PUBLIC AUCTION.
THE Undersigned has received in-
structions from the Trustees of
DENT & Co.'s Estate to sell by Public
Auction, (if not previously disposed of
by private sale) on the 8th day of Au-
gust next,
All that piece of GROUND on Shau-
shan, Canton, known as DENT & Co.'s
Shamshan Property, and consisting of
Lots 11 and 28, and the Western half
of Lots 12 and 21, occupying an area
of 37,935 square feet, together with the
four-room Bungalow erected on the
Property.
The property is held under British
Government Lease, and is subject to an
annual ground rent of fifteen thousand
Coppet Cash.
The Sale will take place at 3 P.M. at
Messrs DENT & Co.'s offices on the Praya,
Hongkong.
TERMS OF SALE.—One half of the pur-
chase money to be paid on fall of the
hammer and balance on completion of
transfer. The Property to be at pur-
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For further particulars, apply to
W. N. MIDDLETON,
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Auction, (if not previously disposed of
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All that piece of GROUND on Shau-
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Shamshan Property, and consisting of
Lots 11 and 28, and the Western half
of Lots 12 and 21, occupying an area
of 37,935 square feet, together with the
four-room Bungalow erected on the
Property.
The property is held under British
Government Lease, and is subject to an
annual ground rent of fifteen thousand
Coppet Cash.
The Sale will take place at 3 P.M. at
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TERMS OF SALE.—One half of the pur-
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For Sale.

CAVITE CIGARS and CHE-ROOTS of best quality.
Havana CIGARS in boxes of 50 and 100 each, from \$5 to \$30 per 100.
Hamburg and Bremen CIGARS in great variety.
15 different kinds of Russian CIGARETTES.
Fresh Birdseye, Shag, Tobaccos, Turkey and Havana TOBACCO and Smoking Mixture, Honeydew, Goldbars, Harp's fine Cut, Killikink, &c.

For Sale by
BIELFELD and ZACHARIAE.
Hongkong, June 27, 1868.

FOR SALE.
An "ESTAFETTE" and other Articles.
GENUINE A.V.C. GIN in red cases, 15 squares.
GENUINE A.V.C. GIN in white bottles.
Palm-tree Brand GIN in 15 squares.
Dutch CURACAO, in stone bottles.
As LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co.,
Hongkong, May 22, 1868.

Docks.

THE UNION DOCK COMPANY OF HONGKONG & WHAMPOA, LIMITED.

THE Company respectfully beg to call the attention of Ship Owners, Consignees and Masters of Vessels to their establishments at Whampoa and Hongkong, which offer every facility for the docking and repair of Vessels of all classes.

Their Docks at Whampoa are in good working order and are pumped out by Steam, and the workshops comprise the different departments of Shipwright, Blacksmith, Boilermaker, and Machine works. Materials supplied of the best kind and on the most reasonable terms. A jetty with a pair of powerful lifting cranes, alongside of which masts and boilers can be taken out of Vessels.

Their Hongkong establishment comprises also the different departments of Shipwright, Blacksmith, Boilermaker and Machine works and possesses a pair of lifting cranes.

Their Granite Dock at Kowloon most advantageously situated for the building, and of full dimensions to admit the docking of any Vessel coming to this harbour, will be completed in a very short time.

The Steam Tug "LITTLE ORPHAN" is always in readiness to tow Vessels to Dock, free of charge, and to sea, or new berth, at reduced rates.

All works carried on under the supervision of experienced European foremen. For particulars apply at the office of the Company, Queen's Street.

JOHN INGLIS,
Acting Secretary.

N.B.—Consignees or Masters of Vessels having cause to complain of the works done at the Docks or at Hongkong, will please address their complaints to the Office of the Company, which will receive the immediate attention of the Directors.

Hongkong, July 14, 1868.

Insurances.

THE NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.
(Established 1st January, 1863.)
CAPITAL, £1,000,000, in 1,000 SHARES, £1,000 EACH.
Paid-up Capital, £200,000, or £200 per Share.

Provisional Committee.
W. J. BRYAN, Esq., Chairman.
(Messrs. TAYLOR & Co.)
F. H. BELL, Esq.
(Messrs. W. R. ADAMSON & Co.)
A. MORGAN, Esq.
(Messrs. CHAMBERS, KING & Co.)
E. H. TAYLOR, Esq.
(Messrs. GILMAN & Co.)
F. PONTRE, Esq.
(Messrs. GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.)

Directors of the Company, 1868-69.
At a General Meeting held on Tuesday, the 12th day of May, 1868, the following Resolutions were passed, relative to the continuance of this Company for a further period of three years from the 1st January, 1869; and Notice is hereby given that applications for Shares in the annexed Form, will be received at the Offices of the Company until 31st October, 1868.

Applications for Shares from Persons not resident in Hongkong, must be accompanied by a Power of Attorney to their Agents to sign the Deed of Settlement on their behalf and generally to represent them in all matters connected with the Company.

In accordance with the Resolution passed at the meeting of 18th November, 1867, a separate Office of the Company will be opened in London in 1st January, 1869.

By order of the Court of Directors,
JOHN S. MACKINTOSH,
Secretary.

Shanghai, May 15, 1868.

Form of Application for Shares.
No. _____
To the Provisional Committee of the NORTH-CHINA INSURANCE COMPANY.

GENTLEMEN,
I hereby request that you will allot to Shares in the above Company, and agree to accept such Shares, or any less number you may allot to, and agree to pay the first call of £200 per Share, and all subsequent calls, and to subscribe to the Deed of Settlement whenever required to do so.

Gentlemen,
Your obedient Servant.

Resolutions referred to above.
RES. I.—That a Company to be called the "North-China Insurance Company" shall be formed for a further period of three years, from 1st January, 1868 to 31st Dec., 1871.

RES. II.—That the Directors for the time being of the present Company be appointed to act as a Provisional Committee to organize the new Company.

RES. III.—That this meeting recommends that the Provisional Committee should adopt as the basis of the new Company that the capital should be £1,000,000 in 1,000 Shares of £1,000 each; that up to £200,000 or £200 per Share, and that the Committee be authorized to issue a prospectus inviting applications for Shares and to proceed with the allotment. £100

Insurances.

NOTICE.
NORTHERN ASSURANCE COMPANY.
FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged for Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/2 of the Annual Rate.
Above one month and not exceeding three months, 1/2 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding six months, 1/2 " "
Above six months, the full annual rate.

TURNER & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 13, 1868.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.
CAPITAL \$2,000,000, in 2,000 SHARES OF \$1,000 EACH.

\$100 per Share to be paid on Allotment, and \$100 six months after Allotment.

NOTICE.
WITH reference to the following Resolutions passed at a Meeting of the Shareholders of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company held on the 8th instant, applications for Shares in the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, will be received by the General Managers, the form of application to be as follows:—

To the General Managers and Consulting Committee of the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited,
I request you to allot me _____ Shares of One Thousand Dollars each in the above named Company, and I agree to accept such Shares, or any less number which may be allotted to me, and to pay a Call of One Hundred Dollars per Share on allotment, and a further Call of One Hundred Dollars per Share, six months after allotment, and I further undertake to subscribe to the Deed of Settlement when called on to do so.

I remain, Gentlemen,
Your Obedient Servant.

RESOLUTIONS REFERRED TO ABOVE.
No. 1.
That the General Managers and Consulting Committee are hereby authorized to adopt measures for the reconstruction of the Company as the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, on the basis proposed in the Memorandum of the 2nd April presented to this Meeting.

No. 2.
That the General Managers and Consulting Committee are hereby requested to receive applications for Shares in the Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited, and on the receipt of such applications to call an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company for the purpose of authorizing its dissolution and the transfer of its assets and liabilities to the new Company.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company.
N.B.—Forms of application for Shares may be had at the Office of the Company, Queen's Road.
Hongkong, April 9, 1868.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
NOTICE.
FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged for Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/2 of the Annual Rate.
Above one month and not exceeding three months, 1/2 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding six months, 1/2 " "
Above six months, the full Annual Rate.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
General Managers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company.
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

ALLIANCE FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
NOTICE.
FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged for Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/2 of the Annual Rate.
Above one month and not exceeding three months, 1/2 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding six months, 1/2 " "
Above six months, the full Annual Rate.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,
Agents, Alliance Fire Insurance Company.
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

MERCHANTS' MUTUAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, SAN FRANCISCO.
PAID-UP CAPITAL, \$500,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong and China for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies at Current Rates.

OLYMPHANT & Co.,
Hongkong, August 9, 1867.

THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents of the above Corporation are prepared to grant Fire and Marine Insurance on the usual Terms.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, December 26, 1867.

NOTICE.
MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
THE following Rates will be charged in future for short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month, 1/2 per cent.
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months, 1/2 do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, 1/2 do.
Above 6 months, the full annual rate.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 8, 1868.

Insurances.

LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION.
THE following rates will in future be charged for Short Period Insurances:—
One month, 1/2 per cent.
Three months, 1/2 " "
Six months, 1/2 " "

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.
CAPITAL—TWO MILLION STERLING.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire, to the extent of £10,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.

MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.,
Hongkong, May 20, 1868.

NOTICE.
THE QUEEN INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE following Rates will be charged in future for short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding 1 month, 1/2 of the annual rate.
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months, 1/2 do.
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, 1/2 do.
Above 6 months, the full annual rate.

MORGAN, LAMBERT & Co.,
Agents, The Queen Insurance Company.
Hongkong, May 20, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.

Detached and semi-detached Dwelling-Houses removed from Town, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.
Other Dwelling-Houses used strictly as such, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their Contents, 1 per cent.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.
Hongkong, March 9, 1868.

NOTICE.
NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged in Short Period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/2 of the annual rate.
Above 1 month and not exceeding 3 months, 1/2 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding 6 months, 1/2 " "
Above 6 months, the full Annual Rate.

GILMAN & Co.,
Agents, North British and Mercantile Insurance Company.
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY.
Incorporated by Royal Charter and Special Acts of Parliament.

ESTABLISHED 1809.
CAPITAL £2,000,000
ACCUMULATED FUNDS £2,233,927.
ANNUAL REVENUE £247,263.

THE Undersigned Agents at Hongkong for the above Company are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, to the extent of £10,000 on any Building, or on Merchandise in the same.

GILMAN & Co.,
Hongkong, June 21, 1864.

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.
CAPITAL ONE MILLION STERLING.

THE DIRECTORS have the pleasure to announce the appointment of Messrs. Holliday, Wise & Co. as Agents for the Company at Hongkong, Shanghai, Canton, Hankow, and Peking; who are prepared to grant Insurances at current rates and of whom all useful information may be obtained.

By Order of the Board,
JAR B. NORTHOFT, Secretary.

JOEAN MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY, LONDON.
Incorporated 1850.
CAPITAL—£1,000,000.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept Marine risks and issue Policies at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
Hongkong, June 6, 1867.

LONDON AND PROVINCIAL MARINE INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company, are prepared to grant Marine Risks at current rates.

AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of \$50,000 on Buildings, or on Goods stored therein.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Hongkong, August 24, 1864.

Insurances.

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM.
UNTIL further notice the following Annual Rates will be charged for Fire Insurances, viz:—
Detached and Semi-detached Dwelling Houses removed from the Town, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.
Other Dwelling Houses used strictly as such, and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.
Godowns, Offices, Shops, &c., and their Contents, 1 per cent.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company.
Hongkong, March 6, 1865.

BOMBAY INSURANCE COMPANY AND FORBES & CO.'S CONSTITUENTS INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above Companies are prepared to accept Risks on the usual terms.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Hongkong, February 26, 1868.

At the request of the Undersigned, Messrs GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., have taken temporary charge of the following Insurance Companies:—
Phoenix Assurance Company.
Liverpool and London and Globe Insurance Company.
London and Provincial Marine Insurance Company.
Universal Marine Insurance Company Limited.

SMITH, KENNEDY & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, July 2, 1867.

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.
FIRE AND LIFE.
CAPITAL £2,000,000.

(LIFE DEPARTMENT.)
£2 per Cent. per Annum Bonus declared during the last Fifteen Years on all Profit-participating Policies of Two Years' standing.

The utmost liberality practised in the settlement of all Claims, with the representatives of deceased Assureds.

An Assurance for any sum not exceeding £1000 can be effected with the Undersigned without reference to Head-Office.

By special authority of the Board, Claims are settled at once by the Undersigned without reference to England.

Fees to Medical Referees paid by the Company.
No forfeiture of Policy from unintentional mis-statement.

Premiums payable Half-yearly or Annually at the option of the Assured.

Annual Premiums for an Assurance of £100 for the whole term of Life, including £2.10s. per Cent. for Foreign Risk, which will be deducted during a visit to or a permanent resident in Europe:—

AGE. WITHOUT PARTICIPATION. WITH PARTICIPATION.

15 £3 19 8 £4 5 6
20 4 3 8 4 9 4
25 4 8 2 4 14 2
30 4 13 11 4 19 9
35 5 0 0 5 6 2
40 5 8 0 5 14 1
45 5 17 11 6 4 6
50 6 11 1 6 16 3
55 7 11 1 8 0 4
60 8 16 0 9 8 7

N.B. Intermediate ages charged proportionally.
For Forms, for effecting Life Assurances, and for any further information, apply to:
ROB. S. WALKER & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, September 8, 1864.

LIFE ASSURANCE.
THE Undersigned have received Authority by a recent Mail to issue Life Policies for amounts not exceeding £1000 without reference to the Head Office, as was previously required by the Board.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, January 6, 1865.

NOTICE.
ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE following Rates will be charged in future for short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding One Month, 1/2 per cent.
Above One Month and not exceeding Three Months, 1/2 per cent.
Above Three Months and not exceeding Six Months, 1/2 per cent.
Above Six Months, the full Annual Rate of 1 per cent.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, April 7, 1868.

REDUCTION IN THE RATES OF PREMIUM FOR FIRE INSURANCE.
THE Undersigned have (as already intimated in their Circular dated 14th October last) received authority from the Secretary of the ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY to reduce the rate of Premium under certain circumstances, on PRIVATE RESIDENCES and on FURNITURE and Effects, therein contained.

In cases of DWELLING-HOUSES removed from the Town, the rate of Premium will be Three-quarters per Cent. in place of One per Cent. per Annum as hitherto charged; and in cases of Residences, so situated, being detached or semi-detached, the rate will be further reduced to One-half per Cent.

The Royal Annual Rates for FIRE INSURANCE on the various classes of Buildings and their contents will therefore remain as follows, until further notice, viz:—
Detached and semi-detached Dwelling-Houses (removed from the Town) and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.
Other Dwelling-Houses (strictly situated) and their Contents, 1/2 per cent.
First Class China House and their Contents, 1 1/2 per cent.
Other Risks as per special arrangement.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents, Imperial Fire Insurance Company.
Hongkong, November 9, 1866.

Insurances.

NOTICE.
THE Undersigned having received extended limits from THE ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY, are now authorized to issue Policies against FIRE as follows, viz:—
On any one first-class Building, or on Goods stored therein, in Hongkong, \$50,000; in Macao \$25,000.
ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company of Liverpool.
Hongkong, June 17, 1864.

THE UNIVERSAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY OF CALCUTTA.
ESTABLISHED 1834.
Subscribed Capital, £500,000.
Accumulated Funds exceed £208,000.

THE Undersigned are empowered to accept LIFE ASSURANCE in the above Society. Full particulars given on application.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Hongkong, February 21, 1865.

AMICABLE INSURANCE OFFICE.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents for the above INSURANCE OFFICE, are prepared to accept Marine Risks, and issue Policies on any first class Sailing Vessels or Steamers, on the usual terms, payable in case of loss, in CHINA, SINGAPORE, CALCUTTA, BOMBAY, or LONDON.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.,
Hongkong, June 17, 1864.

YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.
DIVIDEND OF (8 per cent.) Eight per cent has been declared on the Net Profits contributed to the above Association for the year ending 30th September, 1866.

POLICY HOLDERS will please send in particulars of their contribution to that date to the Undersigned.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Secretaries.
Hongkong, September 7, 1867.

YANG-TZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF SHANGHAI.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Secretaries and Agents of this Association, are prepared to issue Policies upon Marine Risks at current rates of premium. Policies can be made payable in London, New York, Bombay, Calcutta, Singapore, Hongkong, Kowchow and Shanghai.

In addition to the usual brokerage this Association returns to the assured of each year at the close of each current year, fifteen (15) per cent of the profits of the Company for that year divided pro rata to the amount of premium paid by each policy-holder.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Hongkong, March 2, 1867.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.
THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against FIRE, on BUILDINGS and GOODS, at current rates.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Hongkong, February 9, 1867.

PACIFIC INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO.
Agents in China for the above Insurance Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks, at the current rates.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Hongkong, July 6, 1866.

BATAVIA SEA & FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above named Company are prepared to grant Policies against SEA RISKS, at current rates.

RUSSELL & Co.,
Hongkong, April 1, 1865.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
(FIRE AND LIFE).
CAPITAL—TWO MILLIONS STERLING.

THE Undersigned are prepared to grant Policies against the Risk of FIRE on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, on Coals in Matholde, on Goods on board Vessels and on Hulls of Vessels in Harbour, at the usual Terms and Conditions.

Proposals for Life Assurances will be received, and transmitted to the Directors for their decision.

If required, protection will be granted on first class Lives up to £1000 on a Single Life.

For Rates of Premiums, forms of proposals or any other information apply to:
ARNOLD KARBBERG & Co.,
Agents, Hongkong & Canton.
Hongkong, January 4, 1867.

LANCASHIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.
NOTICE.
FROM and after this date the following Rates will be charged on short period Insurances, viz:—

Not exceeding one month, 1/2 of the Annual Rate.
Above one month and not exceeding three months, 1/2 " "
Above 3 months and not exceeding six months, 1/2 " "
Above six months, the full Annual Rate.

ARNOLD, KARBBERG & Co.,
Agents, Lancashire Insurance Company.
Hongkong, April 14, 1868.

DE OOSTERLING SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF BATAVIA.
Samarang Sea and Fire Insurance Company of Samarang.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above named Companies are prepared to grant Policies against SEA RISKS on the usual terms.

STAMMEN & Co.,
Hongkong, August 1860.

SAMARANG SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF SAMARANG.
THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents in Macao for the above named Company are prepared to grant Policies covering Marine Risks at the current Rates.

RAYNAL & Co.,
Macao, August 4, 1866.

Insurances.

ALBERT LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY.
ESTABLISHED 1838.
CAPITAL, £500,000.
Managing Agents in China, Messrs. AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co., Hongkong, Medical Referees, J. IVOR MURRAY, Esq., M.D.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Managing Agents for the above Company are prepared to accept risks and issue Policies on Life Assurances.

For further particulars, forms of proposals, &c., apply to:
AUGUSTINE HEARD & Co.,
Managing Agents in China.
Hongkong, June, 1867.

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Hongkong, March 13, 1897.

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Hongkong, May 9, 1868.

Hongkong, June 19, 1868. 19ju

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, June 14, 1867.

MULLER & CLAUSSEN,
Hongkong, January 13, 1898,

Notices to Consignees.

"LODGE" FROM CALCUTTA.
CONSIGNMENT of Cargo by the above named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo not called for within 24 hours after the arrival will be landed and stored at risk and expense of Consignees.

BIRLEY & Co.
Hongkong, July 17, 1868.

HE following cases have been landed and stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees, who are requested to take immediate delivery.
Ex "Donnat," 7th January, 1868.

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NO 120/122 3 Cases Sweetmeats
C. BELTRAND, Principal Agent.
Hongkong, July 4, 1868.

P. M. S. Co.'s Steamer "COLORADO" FROM YOKOHAMA AND SAN FRANCISCO.

CONSIGNMENT of Cargo by the above named Vessel are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo not called for within 24 hours after the arrival will be landed and stored at risk and expense of Consignees.

GEO. F. BOWMAN, Agent.
Hongkong, July 7, 1868.

Notices of Firms.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. EDWARD HAYTON in our Firm ceased on the 30th June last, and Mr. JAMES PENN DUNKINSON was admitted a Partner on the 1st July.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
Hongkong, January 11, 1868. 1-a-w

WE have authorized Mr. CHAS. DUDLEY to sign our Firm from this date.

DREYER & Co.
Hongkong, January 1, 1868.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. FREDERICK NISSEN in our Firm ceased on the 30th April last.

The Business will in future be conducted under the Style and Firm of ROBERTSON & Co.

In which Mr. FREDERICK NISSEN has been admitted a Partner.

NISSEN & ROBERTSON.
Ningpo, May 9, 1868. 10ag

MR. J. MURRAY FORBES is authorized to sign our name at Canton from this date.

RUSSELL & Co.
China, February 16, 1868.

MR. BENJAMIN ROBERT STANFORD is authorized to sign our Firm on 1st January, 1868.

J. McDONALD & Co., Shipwrights.
Hongkong, May 1, 1868. 1ag

MY Business, as Ship and Insurance Broker, Commission Agent, &c. hitherto carried on by myself, will henceforward be conducted under the style or Firm of J. S. HOOK, Son & Co.

J. S. HOOK.
Hongkong, September 28, 1867.

I HAVE established myself at this port as General Commission Merchant, under the Style and Firm of GIFFORD FORBES PARKER & Co.

GIFFORD FORBES PARKER.
Saigon, December 20, 1867.

MR. FERDINAND NISSEN and Mr. HEINRICH HOPFERS have been authorized to sign our Firm here and in China from this date.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, May 12, 1868. 10ag

THE Partnership between the Undersigned, and Mr. AUGUST WITNESS, Mr. ROBERT CARLSON DONALDSON MOPAT, and Mr. FRANK BOWENSON, lately carrying on Business in London and China under the Firm of TRAUTMANN & Co., has been dissolved from the 1st instant by lapse of time.

J. F. H. TRAUTMANN.
Shanghai, June 16, 1868. July 22

THE Undersigned will continue to carry on the Business of their late Firm, at Shanghai and Tientsin, under the same Style of TRAUTMANN & Co.

J. F. H. TRAUTMANN.
R. C. D. MOPAT.
Shanghai, June 16, 1868. July 22

FROM and after this date, Captain J. C. SAUNDERS will undertake the Business of my Marine Surveying at this port.

H. J. DRING, Marine Surveyor.
Foochow, August 1, 1867. 1f

WITH reference to the above, the business hitherto carried on by H. J. DRING, Esq., at Foochow will be conducted by the Undersigned.

J. O. SAUNDERS, Chop-Min, Fagoda Anchorage, Foochow.

I HAVE established myself from this date as Shipbroker and General Storekeeper under the Firm and Style of L. FRICKEL & Co.

At the Premises, lately occupied by Messrs. De Silva & Co., Queen's Road Central.

LEO FRICKEL.
Hongkong, July 1, 1868. Aug 1

THE OFFICE of the Undersigned has been removed to the late premises of the Agra Bank, Queen's Road.

LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, June 30, 1868.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.
I HAVE this day established myself as a PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT, AVERAGE ADJUSTER and GENERAL COMMISSION AGENT.
C. LANGDON DAVIES.
2 Club Chambers, Hongkong, July 1, 1868.

NOTICE.
HE connection of the Undersigned with the Firm of Messrs. THOS. HUNT & Co. ceases from this date.
J. M. ARMSTRONG.
Hongkong, May 1, 1868.

MR. R. A. H. TOLLIER GLAZENKAMP, being from this date interested in our Firm, will sign the same per procuration.
REYNVAAN BROTHERS & Co.
Hongkong, June 1, 1868. 10ag

NOTICE.
R. RYLE HOLME has been admitted a partner in our Firm.

GLOVER & Co.
Nagasaki, January 1, 1867.

FROM and after this date Mr. GEORGE F. BOWMAN will act as AGENT of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company at this Port.

S. L. PHELPS, Agent.
Hongkong, August 15, 1867.

DOCKS.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

CAPITAL—\$750,000.

IN 1,500 SHARES, OF \$500 EACH.

THE COMPANY'S DOCKS at ABERDEEN and WHAMPOA are in full working order, and the attention of Shipowners is respectfully solicited to the advantages which these Establishments offer for the Docking and Repair of Vessels.

The following description of the Premises is submitted for the information of the Public.

ABERDEEN DOCK, DOCK No. 1.

Built of GRANITE.

Length, 330 feet.

Breadth, 80 "

Depth of Water at Spring Tides, 18' "

do. Neap Tides, 16' "

NEW DOCK, No. 2.

Built of GRANITE.

Length, 400 feet.

Breadth, 80 "

Depth of Water at Spring Tides, 24' "

do. Neap Tides, 21' "

This Dock is now under course of construction.

WHAMPOA DOCKS, DOCK A.

Built of GRANITE.

Length, 550 feet.

Breadth, 80 "

Depth of Water at Spring Tides, 16' 11' "

do. Neap Tides, 13' 11' "

This can be used either as one or two Docks.

DOCK B.

Built of GRANITE.

Length, 340 feet.

Breadth, 60 "

Depth of Water at Spring Tides, 18' "

do. Neap Tides, 15' "

The above are the largest Docks in China and they are fitted with every appliance in the way of Cranes, powerful Steam Pumps, &c., to ensure safety and despatch in work.

DOCK C.

Built of Wood.

Length, 260 feet.

Depth of Water at Spring Tides, 14' "

do. Neap Tides, 11' "

Fitted with Cranes and Steam Pumps.

DOCK D.

Length, 164 feet.

Depth of Water at Spring Tides, 12' 6' "

do. Neap Tides, 9' 6' "

D. and E. are Mud Docks available for small vessels, at very low rates.

DOCK E.

Length, 120 feet.

Depth of Water at Spring Tides, 11' "

do. Neap Tides, 8' "

D. and E. are Mud Docks available for small vessels, at very low rates.

WORKSHOPS.

The Workshops on the Premises, both at Aberdeen and Whampoa, possess every appliance necessary for the Repairs of Ships or Steam Machinery. The Engineer's Shops are supplied with Lathes, Planing, Sawing, Cutting, Punching Machines, &c., &c., capable of executing work on the largest scale, and Blacksmith's Shops are equally well supplied with plant, and the work is entirely carried on under the Supervision of experienced Europeans.

Powerful Lifting Shears stand on a Jetty alongside where vessels can lie in 24 feet water and take in or out boilers, masts, &c.

BOILERMAKERS' DEPARTMENT.

The Company in addition to executing Repairs are prepared to tender for supplying new Boilers to Steamships for constructing which they have great facilities.

FOUNDRY.

Iron and Brass Castings, either for Ships or general purposes, are executed with the utmost despatch.

STORES.

The Company's Stores will (when required) supply at moderate rates all the necessities for Shipwork, such as Paint, Copper, Canvas, &c., &c.

STEAM TUG.

The Company's powerful Steam Tug Fame (100 Horse-power nominal) is always in readiness to Tow Sailing Vessels from Hongkong to the Dock free of charge, and will take them back or to Sea at reduced Rates.

For further particulars, apply at the Office of the Company, d'Agulhar Street, Hongkong.

JOHN S. LAPRAIK, Secretary.

N. B.—The Consignees or Master of any Vessel serving reason to complain of the work done in the Docks, or in any way regarding the Dock arrangements, should address the Secretary on the subject—when their complaints will receive the immediate attention of the Directors of the Company.

Hongkong, October 13, 1868.

Steam Tugs.

NOTICE.
HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.
STEAM-TUG "FAME," 110 H. P. NOMINAL.
With disengaging Engines.

THIS Powerful TUG is available at any moment to Birth Vessels in Harbour, or Tow them to or from Sea.

For particulars, apply to the Captain on board, or to the Office of the Company, d'Agulhar Street, Hongkong.

JOHN S. LAPRAIK, Secretary.

Hongkong, October 13, 1868.

NOTICE.

BEST TUG ISLAND QUEEN, 130 H. P. Nominal, will commence to ply on the River Min and adjacent waters early in the spring, and will then be available to berth ships at the anchorage, and to tow, and from, sea at usual rates.

For further information, apply to Messrs. E. B. How & Co., Foochow, or to the Undersigned.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 10, 1868.

HOUSES AND LANDS.

LIGHTERAGE AND STORAGE.

THE Undersigned will undertake to land Cotton, Rice, Coals, and other Merchandise, in their own Boats, and to receive the same on STORAGE in First-class Granite godowns, on Moderate Terms.

ROB. S. WALKER & Co.
Hongkong, March 4, 1868.

TO LET.

THE OFFICE and GODOWN situated at the corner of Wellington and Aberdeen Streets, and at present in the occupation of Messrs. EMMETT & SANDERS.

For particulars, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

Hongkong, March 6, 1868.

TO LET.

A HOUSE in Spring Gardens, containing four Rooms and Out Houses; Rent, \$28 per month.

Apply at the Victoria Foundry.

Hongkong, March 12, 1868.

TO BE LET.

TWO New and Strong GODOWNS on Marine Lot No. 63.

Apply to GAVIN THOMPSON, at GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.'s.

Hongkong, December 16, 1867. 1f

TO LET.

4 COMMODIOUS HOUSES, situated in Morrison Hill, commanding a thorough view of the Harbour, with Stables, &c.

Apply to THOMAS WALLACE, East Point Godowns.

Hongkong, June 6, 1868.

NOTICE.

THE desirable PREMISES on the Queen's Road, lately in the occupation of the Asiatic Bank.

For particulars, apply to SMITH, ARCHER & Co.

Hongkong, May 18, 1868.

TWO HOUSES TO BE LET.

RECENTLY put in thorough Repair, situated on the Rise of THE HILL, Westward, and an easy distance from the Queen's Road. Apply to MR. BARRINGTON, Wyndham Street.

Hongkong, May 13, 1868.

FIRST RATE ROOMS for Offices or Dwelling Houses for Families in the Queen's Road, No. 92, with new Verandah. The whole in a thorough state of repair.

Apply to Messrs Wm. SCHMIDT & Co., German Consulate.

Hongkong, May 20, 1868.

TO LET.

THE OFFICES situated in Queen's Road, formerly occupied by Messrs. LYALL, SMITH & Co.

Apply to ARDINE, MATHESON & Co., East Point, June 15, 1868. 15ag

STORAGE FOR OPIUM.

THE Undersigned is prepared to STORE Opium in a first class Granite Godown on premises situated on Praya Central.

CHARLES KIVINGTON, 3, St. John Street.

Hongkong, June 9, 1868.

TO LET.

THE Large Matted No. 3, at Pokfulam, containing five rooms with out-houses and Stables attached. Water laid.

For particulars, apply to H. PESTONJEE SETNA, at Messrs P. A. CAMARER & Co.'s Office.

Hongkong, June 2, 1868.

TO LET.

THE BUSINESS PREMISES, formerly occupied by Messrs. ARNOLD, KANBE & Co., consisting of Dwelling House, Offices, and spacious Godowns.

Possession to be had on the 1st March.

Apply to JOHN BURD & Co., Hongkong, February 22, 1868.

TO BE LET.

Furnished or Unfurnished.

THE Dwelling HOUSE in the Albany at present occupied by Mr. N. R. MASSON. Occupation can be had in a few weeks. Application can be made to Mr. MASSON at the Albany.

Hongkong, September 26, 1867.

TO LET.

FOUR Large ROOMS on Second Floor above the Offices of the Undersigned, 44, Queen's Road, at present occupied by Messrs. C. HOCK & Co. Possession can be taken on the 1st of January, 1868.

For Terms, &c., apply to G. DUBOST & Co.

Hongkong, November 6, 1867.

HOESON & Co., PUBLIC AUCTIONEERS, SHIPPING AND GENERAL BROKERS.

AND COMMISSION MERCHANTS, Kobe, Hirodo, Japan.

New Advertisements.

The British barque "AVONVALE" will sail for FOOCHOW, on Wednesday next.
For Freight or Passage, apply to THE BORNEO Co., LIMITED, Hongkong, July 18, 1868. 22July

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship "UNDINE."

Captain "TERRIN" will leave for the above ports, on Tuesday, the 21st instant, at 2 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, July 18, 1868. July 21

PUBLIC AUCTION.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LAMBERT, ATKINSON & Co. will sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY, the 21st July, 1868, at Noon, at their Sales Room, Queen's Road.

4 cases Bryant and May's Safety Matches, 40 cwt. White Lead, 100 pairs 5lb. Blankets, 6 rolls Soleleather, 1 case Perfumery, 50 boxes Candles, 75 boxes Yellow Soap, 2 cases brown Windsor Soap Tablets, 40 pieces assorted colors Alpaca, 50 pieces Towels, 120 doz. linen Handkerchiefs, 200 doz. fancy cotton printed Handkerchiefs. An Invoice of Gold Stone-ware, comprising Letter Weights, Rings, Necklaces, Boxes, Scales, Medallions, Brooches, Sleeve-buttons, Waistcoat-buttons, etc. 100 Rifles and accoutrements, 4 cases assorted Bicincts Huntley and Palmer's 2lb., 4 cases Claret, 3 Punchbowls Rum, 100 cases Palm-tree Gin, 30 cases Best Ale in quarts, 20 cases Guinness' Stout in quarts, 75 cases Hennessy's Brandy, 25 cases Quinquina, 90 cases Claret, 4 cases best York Hams, 3 cases White Cheese, 80 kegs American Butter, 30 boxes Solon Tobacco, 10 cases best assorted confectionary, 40 cases assorted Oilman Stores and Provisions, and a variety of other goods.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7.

Hongkong, July 18, 1868. July 12

WANTED TO HIRE.

A BILLIARD TABLE, complete, address "G." care of office of this paper—stating terms.

Hongkong, July 15, 1868. July 22

TO LET.

TWO large Rooms, suitable for Offices, on First Floor of our Premises at Peddar's Wharf.

Also, The Whole, or One Half, of the Second Floor, with Bed Rooms, Dining Room and Parlor.

THOS. HUNT & Co., Hongkong, July 15, 1868. 1f

GARDNER & Co., CALIFORNIA WINE DEPOT.

FOR SALE.

50 PIPES SHERRY, Vintage 1860.

100 cases WHITE WINE, 1865.

50 cases BRANDY, 15 years old.

100 cases WHITE WINE.

100 cases PORT.

20 cases ANGELICA.

These Wines are guaranteed to be perfectly pure and free from adulteration, and are carefully selected from the most popular brands of California Wines.

Also for Sale.

10 barrels No. 1 Eastern Salt BEEF.

2,500 OAT MEAL, in 100 lbs. Bags.

50 cases No. 1 Bernard's Old Tom GIN, 12 years old.

Hongkong, July 15, 1868. 1f

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The length of the Union Dock at Kowloon is 300 feet, its width 80 feet, and its depth on the sill, at spring tides, 21 feet. It may be interesting to give the dimensions of the Aberdeen Hope Dock, in order that our readers may be able to draw a comparison. This latter has a length of 385 feet on the blocks, its width is 100 feet at the coping stones, and 50 feet at the bottom, and its depth of water 24 feet 6 inches at spring tides. It will thus be seen that the Union Dock is not unfavourably with its larger rival, which is the most roomy in the Eastern seas. In solidity of construction and effective resistance to the water it is scarcely second, and the prospects of its owners may be deemed most satisfactory. It is scarcely necessary to refer to the absurd canards so often propagated as to the injuries inflicted on it by heavy showers of rain. While, as we have shown, the nature of the original soil rendered it liable to injury from this cause, the dock itself has been in no way affected since the first difficulties were overcome. It is, we believe, moreover the intention of the company to commence another dock to the westward of the one now nearly completed, as soon as the latter shall be in working order. And as another feature of interest we may add that there are already two or three slips laid down for building and repairing vessels; one is already occupied by a small steamer, and the other will shortly receive the keel of a large schooner, for the building of which orders have been given, and which will be followed by other craft as the slips become vacant. The ship-building department will, we believe, be under the superintendence of Mr. A. D. Mitchell. We are sorry that it is not in our power to record a greater progress in the erection of the buildings essential to the success of this undertaking. The foundations of several are however laid down, and one of them is near completion; while, now that the services of a gentleman of practical knowledge and experience as acting Secretary (Mr. Inglis, formerly of the Hongkong Mint), have been secured, every effort will be made to finish the machine shops, &c., as soon as possible. The delay is doubtless owing to the uncertainty previously felt about the construction of the dock itself, and in the light of present experience the shareholders will scarcely thank the opposition for their persistent efforts (doubtless well meant) to retard the progress of Mr. Studd's work.

In conclusion we would add a word about the business prospects of the company. We are much afraid that, unless the shipping interest of Hongkong reaches a development hitherto undreamt of, there will scarcely be found work enough for the two large dock companies, on thoroughly remunerative terms. If this be the case there will remain but one of three alternatives—amalgamation, the extinction of those by the other, or the ruin of both in the style of financial Kilkenny cats. Such at least seems to be the opinion held by uninterested parties, and the solution of the problem will be a matter of much and important interest to many in the colony. We trust that any difficulties to be encountered will not be aggravated by a childish want of confidence in the best efforts of those who have more to lose than the talkers themselves generally possess.

NUISANCES.
The most effective way to treat some subjects is to deal with them contemptuously and ventiliate them with ridicule. Hence the regret often expressed, in those days when contemptible subjects are so rare, that our local Chivalry is no more. Punch could, and at home still does, deal with subjects in a manner much more decided than its more serious and staid contemporaries; and it is a very gratifying we cannot now have it defined by our local humorists what really constitutes an obstruction or a nuisance, according to the approved principles of a local nuisance inspector. Let not any one imagine that we for a moment sneer at the important functionary known as an inspector of nuisances; that would be a policy of the most suicidal nature. An inspector of nuisances—or, as we like it better, a nuisance inspector—is an officer of far greater importance than even the Bench of Magistrates. True, the nuisances we mean inspectors—referred to proposed, and the Magistrates dispose of cases brought before them; but the latter are powerless to ignore cases, however petty or vexatious, when once submitted to them.

Judgment, discretion, and discrimination may be said to comprehend the excellencies of a police officer; and in the light of recently decided cases at the Magistrate, it is only fair to say that the inspectors of the class before mentioned deserve the greatest consideration in the event of any one of our numerous cobblers turning their attention to meddling manufacture. If any illustration were required to establish such a proposition, the systematic paddy and vexatious prosecutions against merchants here for alleged obstruction, might be instanced as a fair and reasonable ground for the leathern honour. Only yesterday the inquisitorial question was duly considered, and discussed in all its bearings, viz., whether a few pounds of cotton had been allowed to stand opposite a godown in a quiet side street for five minutes, or whether they scandalised the public road and the nuisance inspector for the lengthened period of a quarter of an hour. Inspector Albert, who is a nuisance (in-pector), and is now and again metaphorically "chawed up" by his zeal, was the officer whose keen scent objected so de-

cidedly to this outrage upon his personal feelings, the public taste, and the Colonial law; and swift retribution upon Messrs. Gibb, Livingston and Company was accordingly sought for and found. To lay before the shrine of duty, nothing is too great for Albert the Keen, and therefore he unwearyingly pointed out by one about sixty-three "worny pounds of tow," which comprised the obstruction so happily stumbled upon by our otherwise easy-going arithmetician. The inspector, who appears to be in great ignorance regarding both the letter and spirit of his duties, is paid by his superiors to place himself in direct hostility to the interests of the well-doing portion of our citizens. Labelling under that mistaken notion, the man of obstructions and of bad smells was at some pains to avoid observation until he appeared side by side with Mr. Duncanson as defendant in the great obstruction case. Evidence was produced to show the unreasonableness of the prosecution and of the absolute incorrectness of the evidence in its support; but Mr. May deemed it his duty to impose a penalty of 20 upon the offending merchant, although the discrepancies in the prosecutor's evidence might have been made a fair basis for the exercise of that discretion which is undoubtedly the better, though rarer, part of magisterial valour. As would be expected, notice was given that the decision would be appealed against, and we therefore leave the matter for the present.

One word, however, regarding the routine of business carried on by those keen-scented officers of justice against Chinese residents. Scolden a day passes but a dozen cases of nuisance, and probably a dozen more of obstruction, are brought before the Magistrates at the instance of the quick-smelling department. The defendants in such cases are invariably tried and fined upon the bare uncorroborated testimony of our nuisance-discovering and obstruction-evolving friends, and this has been carried on at certain times with so much vigour that two or three thousand dollars have been thus expressed from the poorer Chinese in one month. That nuisances should not be severely dealt with, we should be very loath to say; but the prosecutions ought to be conducted so that omnipotent power should not be placed in the hands of officers whose discretion and judgment appear to be so often swamped by an overplus of ignorant zeal, and whose temptations are none of the smallest.

LOCAL.

We have received the scores of the recent Rifle Competition, and are compelled to hold them over until our next issue.

The performance at the Circus last night exhibited little worthy of remark which has not been remarked upon before. To-night the tent will again form an attractive centre for pleasure-seekers, as it did this afternoon for "ladies and children."

The Band Amateur Club of the 73rd Regiment reported their little Theatre at the North Barracks last night with a representation consisting of "The Queen of the Gipsies" and the farce of "Caught by the Gif." To-night the programme will be repeated; and as the ability of this Company is well known, while the object for which they perform is a most laudable one (viz., the 73rd Relief Fund), a good house may be fairly calculated upon.

SUPREME COURT.
IN CRIMINAL SESSION.
(Before the Hon. the Chief Justice.)
July 18, 1868.

The July Criminal Sessions were opened this morning, when the following Jurors were called and sworn to—Messrs P. Macri-car, A. W. Glennie, Andrew Smith, Wong Shing, Bonjant, H. Kier, and A. dea Remedios.

EMBEZZLEMENT.
Chun Akai, formerly complicit to Mr. A. Boyer, was charged with having embezzled monies belonging to his employer. It appeared from Mr. Boyer's evidence, that the prisoner was complicit to complainant in 1866, in which year he received certain bills for collection, amounting in all to \$398.30, and that he then disappeared with the money so collected, not having been seen afterwards until a month or so since.

Mr. Romano and Mr. Le Rea deposed to having paid certain bills to the prisoner, and their affidavit proved the actual payment of the money.

Prisoner did not question having received the money, but endeavored to show that the transaction had anything of the character of a debt.

His Lordship having intimated that any statement by the prisoner was unnecessary, the Jury at once returned a verdict of guilty, and his Lordship sentenced the prisoner to two years' hard labour.

CUTTING AND WOUNDING.
Saleh, a Siamese seaman, was placed at the bar on the above charge, inasmuch as

on the night of June 23rd, about 10.50, near the Gongh Street steps, he stabbed a seaman named Graham in the neck. It appears that, while standing out on the rain with some companions, Graham left his comrades, crossed the road to speak to a Chinese girl, and got into conversation with the prisoner. Shortly afterwards, he cried that he was stabbed, when his comrades ran to his assistance. Martin (one comrade) ran up to Graham, while M'Leod (another comrade) gave chase to the prisoner, who ran up the steps. Martin said he heard a sound like the falling of a knife on the stone. Graham was taken first to a China house, where his wound was dressed; and he was ultimately taken in a chair to the Police Station. M'Leod caught the man (prisoner) and brought him to the Station.

Dr. Cochran deposed that Graham was wounded in three places, hand, chin and neck; that they were not dangerous in themselves, though that in the neck was a very dangerous place; and that the wounds had been inflicted by a knife. Had the wounds (probably inflicted by one blow) been inflicted rapidly, and the guilty party ran off quickly, it was very probable that no marks of blood would show on the person of the runaway. The wounded man was a little under the influence of drink, but not very drunk.

M'Leod, now in Gaol for petty larceny, deposed that the prisoner was the man who came up to Graham; the latter showed a sword, a five seconds' scuffle ensued, immediately after which Graham came across the street, saying he was cut. The witness started in pursuit, followed the prisoner through some by-streets, and caught him, not having lost sight of him all the time. Prisoner was dressed then as he now is.

Graham, who was next sworn, stated that he could not identify the prisoner as the man who came up to him while he was speaking to the Chinese girl; but he was a short man, with blue jacket, blue pants, and long hair. Witness first told this man to go away, and then pushed him, on which he cut Graham's hand, the latter tried to catch the man; and afterwards was stabbed and cut across the throat and on the chin. Graham was then caught in Martin's arms, and M'Leod ran after the man who had cut him. Witness said that he was not drunk, although he had drunk two or three glasses.

P. O. Indian 179, stated that he arrested the prisoner in Lascar Row on a night about fifteen or twenty days ago. M'Leod was one of the men who was running after prisoner. There were no others near when prisoner was arrested. No knife was found on the prisoner, and no marks were on his person or his clothes.

P. C. 128 corroborated his companion's statement and said that there were only the three persons present when prisoner was arrested. There were no marks on prisoner. Inspector Ambrose said that Martin was perfectly sober, so was M'Leod; the wounded man reeled across the Charge-Room, but whether from drink or weakness he could not say. He had made inquiries at the Brothel for the girl referred to, but could not find her.

Sergeant Abbott deposed to having picked up a Scotch cap in East Street, on the night in question.

Prisoner denied the whole affair, saying that he was going out to wash himself in the rain when he was arrested.

His Lordship remarked that it was questionable how far the fact of Graham's pushing prisoner first would affect the case; as the push was an assault. The Attorney General said he apprehended that nothing could justify the use of a knife except a very extreme emergency in defence. The Judge then proceeded to comment upon the discrepancies in the evidence for the prosecution, leaving a marked stress upon those features of the evidence in favour of the prisoner. His Lordship explained his so doing by remarking that the prisoner was not defended. The Attorney General suggested one or two features against the prisoner, which his Lordship had passed without notice; but these his Lordship explained away as unimportant points in the case.

The Jury returned a verdict of not guilty by six to one, and the prisoner was discharged.

The Court then adjourned until Monday at 10 A.M.

ANCESTRAL WORSHIP AND FUNG-SHUY.

By REV. M. T. YATES.

CHAPTER II.

The Practices of the People in regard to the Dead.

When any member of a family falls ill, the other members sacrifice to, and worship before, the Ancestral tablets. They may have been remiss in their offerings; if not they pray for assistance in their hour of great trial. If the sick person does not improve, they call a medium (usually a woman), to see whether the tablet is angry, or by any of their own Ancestors, or by wild or beggar spirit. If by the former, they burn a large quantity of incense before their tablets; if by the latter, dirt is burned without the door to appease the discontented spirit. (Dirt is a substitute for incense.)

It is a well known fact that the police of this world usually treat a well dressed prisoner with some degree of consideration, while a beggarly looking fellow is cruelly handled. In like manner they suppose the police of the spirit world are influenced by personal appearance. They next proceed to burn a considerable quantity of incense—the object of which is to provide the deceased with the requisite funds to enable him to bribe the police to allow him to escape before they reach the higher authorities. As it is not an uncommon thing for the police of the Chinese Yamen to allow a prisoner who has been arrested to escape by the way, for a consideration, they suppose that the police of the world of spirits are influenced by similar motives. Having provided him with what is deemed quite sufficient to enable him, if he is clever, to make good his escape, they next proceed to burn the body and bedding, and most of the wardrobe of the departed, in order that he may be provided with every necessary comfort in his present position, whether in prison or at liberty. Meanwhile, all the relatives, friends and neighbors of the deceased send in large contributions of dirt, to enable their departed friend to bribe the officials of the land of the dead, or to pay the prison keepers, &c., and thus to ameliorate his sufferings during his trial and punishment, if he has been so unfortunate as to be incarcerated. When a man is dead, he is in a position to avenge himself of all the injuries of which he may have thought himself the subject. Hence these large contributions, by relatives, friends, neighbors, and indeed by all who feel that the deceased had ought against them. It is by no means an uncommon tragedy for a man with an irremovable difficulty to take his own life, in order to place himself in a position to avenge himself. I have known a widow, who had been wronged, to go to the grave of her husband, and with great lamentation make known to him the injuries she had sustained, and beg him to see her rights, or her oppressor punished. These desperate remedies rarely ever fail to bring the refractory person to terms.

Again, the coffin is an important item in the list of articles which are deemed necessary for the repose and comfort of a man in the world of darkness. As a man's respectability in this world is often estimated by the appearance of his dwelling; so, for a deceased man, the friends of the mark the person, in order to gain for him this mark of respectability in the other world, often impoverish themselves in order to provide for him a decent burial. Indeed, so much stress is placed upon this article, that old men and even the younger ones, in times of prosperity, to insure for themselves a suitable habitation when they die, often superintend the making and decorating of their own coffins. They even go a step further while they have the means, and employ one skilled in "fung-shuy" to select a fortunate place for their graves. They construct vaults and raise mounds for their entire families. These are usually in a line, under one mound, with the tops slightly separated, so as to give a peak for each vault. Hence some of the graves we see in the vicinity of Shanghai are empty vaults, the members of the family drop off, one end of the vault is opened, and the coffin inserted.

On every seventh day, for seven years, after the death of an individual, the female portion of the family give vent to boisterous lamentations; during which they call the deceased by name, and recount his virtues and good qualities. It is supposed that this demonstration of grief is heard by the authorities of the spirit world, and the hope indulged that they, seeing the high estimation in which the prisoner was held in the world of light, may be induced to modify the intended punishment. For this same reason, families of some wealth, during this season of mourning, are frequently during the period of weeping at the tomb, employ a person to blow at their graves at night a ram's horn, or a conch shell.

From the 9th to the 18th day depending on the day of the month on which a person dies, the spirit is supposed to return to its old habitation, bringing with it a host of ravenous beggars, to aid it in its revengeful mission. The family, to counteract the baneful influence of this visit, employ Taoist priests, whose gods rule the spirits, to perform, at the family residence, on the day on which the spirit is expected to return, the ceremony called "Kong-tuk," meritorious service—the object of which is either to appease or frighten the spirits, and thereby secure to the family tranquility. All the near and friends of the deceased are invited to meet their old friends, and take part in the festivities and general confession of the family. The family hall is decorated for the occasion with embroidered hangings of various devices, and talismans, to intimidate the spirits; and for the time being more like the abode of royalty, than the humble dwelling of a common shopman. The Ancestral tablet of the deceased visitor, the cause of the convocation, is elevated to a position on a table in the centre of the decorated hall, before which all the family most humbly bow, and confess their shortcomings, and around which Taoist priests, attired in Imperial robes, in rank, and bowing to the Kinging of a small bell by the master of ceremonies. The whole affair amounts to a most humble confession and deep humiliation on the part of the family. This ceremony, enlivened by music and song, is kept up for a day to two. When the guests are invited or partake of refreshments, a table is set in a vacant room for the accommodation of the spiritual guests. It is furnished with viands, chopsticks, &c. When all things are ready, the master of ceremonies enters this vacant room, and after a wave of his wand of authority, and incantations, orders the spirits to come and partake of what has been provided for them, and to keep quiet. At the close of the ceremony, he re-enters the vacant room, and with another wave of his wand and incantations, and at the second cutting the air towards the four points of the compass with a sword, orders the spirits to depart; and, on pain of the severest punishment, not to disturb the peace and quiet of that family. The spiritual guests, terrified at the sight of the sword and emboldened of authority in the world of darkness, and the sound of the sword and crackers without, are supposed to take their departure to their proper places in the world of spirits. The Taoist priests are engaged in a stupor through the incense, and the human race is in a hunt over the surface of the earth, with the scent of new times breath-high. Nor is this matter of wonder. "The Mighty Mother" has at length roused up her children from the dull slough of life as she has History, and has bidden them live as she

something analogous to what is described above, whenever one of their members is snatched from the world of light. It corresponds in almost every important particular to what is done by his friends for the comfort of a man who is arrested by one of the local authorities. The priests, the interpreters and agents of the gods, like the mandarins of this world, are ever on the alert for an opportunity to squeeze the rich. They are also ever mindful of the well of their parishioners, not only of the living, but of the dead also. In their frequently discover that some one of their charge, who was arrested several months before, and whose family is more fortunate in life than many of his fellows, is in great agony in the other world, and they manage, very delicately, to communicate the fact to the family of the deceased. They, greatly distressed and alarmed, send for the priest, who was so kind as to communicate to them any tidings of their departed friend. They wish to know the particulars of his misfortune. The priest, in whom they have trusted so many years, goes into an investigation, and discovers that the poor unfortunate is confined in a deep pit, and guarded by sword and spear; and with some show of emotion informs the family that nothing short of three days "Kong-tuk," and a large expenditure of money will rescue him from that place. The family, anxious to do something for his relief, eagerly enquire what sum it will take. The answer is usually in accordance with their ability to pay. We will say his demand in this instance is \$1,000. The astonished family plead their inability to undertake it for less, and reminds them that the consequences of allowing their friend to remain where he is will not rest upon him. They hold a hasty consultation, as to what they shall offer. The 500 is agreed upon. The priest refuses to undertake it for that sum. After further consultation, they offer Ts. 700. The priest, with hesitation, agrees to undertake it for that amount. At the same time he informs them that it will be very difficult. On the day appointed, the reception hall is stripped of all its furniture, and decorated in the most gorgeous manner with temple regalia, richly embroidered satin hangings, suspended from the ceiling, on which are emblazoned the emblems of authority in the world of darkness. The Ancestral tablet of the unfortunate one is elevated to a golden throne, is placed in the midst of ornamented insignia of authority, on a table in the centre of the hall. Around this tablet, five, seven, or nine Taoist priests, attired in richly embroidered Imperial robes, march and chant their incantations. This ceremony, enlivened by music and song, is kept up day and night. Meanwhile the relatives, invited guests, and priests, live on the family. On the afternoon of the second day, the Abbot or master of ceremonies, with some confusion and great emotion, informs the family that the position of the unfortunate is unchanged, and that the authorities of the spirit world will not entertain the idea of releasing him from his confinement. They, full of apprehension, beseech themselves to be good, if they see how it weathers, the additional sum of Ts. 300. The priests return to their service with new zeal. The chanting is more energetic, the step much quicker, the ringing of the bell is more frequent; while the family weep over their misfortune. In due time the master of ceremonies announces a consultation in "Fung-shuy" (prison of the world of shades) and that the unfortunate is about to be released. This news is both a proof that the additional Ts. 300 had its desired effect, and some consolation to the anxious family for their unexpected outlay. On the third day, the master of ceremonies makes an examination; after which he, with great agitation, informs the family that the unfortunate has been newly out of the pit, that he is clinging to one side, and looking with anxious solicitude for further aid, but that we cannot induce them to allow him to escape even for the additional sum of Ts. 300; now what is to be done? The friends, frantic with anxiety, tear the bangles from their arms, the rings from their hands, and produce other jewels and articles upon which money can be had from the pawnbrokers, and pay an additional sum of Ts. 200. The priests, judging from appearances that they can get no more, return to their arduous undertaking with redoubled zeal, and ere the sun sets the fearful din of gongs and fire-crackers announces to the anxious family that the incarcerated spirit has been set at liberty. The design of the fire-crackers and gongs is to frighten the bewildered spirit far away from that horrible pit. Congratulations are exchanged, and the family is relieved of much anxiety and a large sum of money. This "Kong-tuk" may be repeated, if the priests, who are ever on the alert for opportunities, manage to make the necessary expenditure, as in the case of our afflictions in the family.

THE POET OF THE "DAILY TELEGRAPH."

(Pall Mall Gazette.)

We have to the Daily Telegraph the enjoyment of one of the purest and most exalting of all pleasures, the delight of contemplating a masterpiece in the art of our own profession. The article to which we refer, though we should hope that most of our readers are already familiar with it, appeared on June 2. Let us attempt humbly and lovingly to study the principles of this great work of art.

The subject, as our readers are already aware, is the present day, the Spirit of the Age, or, to borrow for a moment those subtle upon which Lord Lytton used to perform such feats twenty years ago, it is the Vindication of the Sensational. Human life as we see it is accomplished in a manner as elaborate as it is skilful to the vicissitudes of the hunting field at once in its subject. "The pace of the age is tremendous! Breast-high lies the scene of new times, new life, new thoughts, new societies, and new forms of governments." Antonelli and his cardinal, say that the world is crumbling; but no, "there is nothing the matter with the brave old planet!—it is as sound and round and strong as ever, and keeps a capital place in the great astronomical stepladder through the infinites." Think of the splendor of this! The heavenly bodies are engaged in a stupor through the incense, and the human race is in a hunt over the surface of the earth, with the scent of new times breath-high. Nor is this matter of wonder. "The Mighty Mother" has at length roused up her children from the dull slough of life as she has History, and has bidden them live as she

does, at the rate of three hundred thousand leagues a day." The Mighty Mother, we presume, is the Earth, which has commanded mankind to live at the rate stated. The hidden beauties of great authors are always worthy of attention, and we accordingly referred to "Astronomy without Mathematics," by Mr. Denison (ILL.D., Q.C., F.R.A.S., and the author of a work on clocks), to discover at what pace we are living already. From him we learn that the earth moves 1,673,383 miles or 624,110 leagues, per day, so that the true meaning of the advice tendered is a judicious self-restraint. We are to keep ourselves back 224,110 leagues and 3 per diem—a splendid instance of the principle "re-outer pour mieux sauter." Let us, however, proceed. "We have given a name to this new rapture and sweep of human existence; we call it and its phenomena 'sensational.' The word is a good word, too, like all that ever grew popular and stood public wear and tear. How do men exist on this whirling Ball of Wonder, this pellet of brown earth and silver seas; that flies singing its little song of motion among the great diapasons of blazing suns and systems? They exist by the senses, of course, and all life is sensational." Let us admire in humble reverence the astonishing mixture of poetry and philosophy in this of this great and good man. The Whirling Ball of Wonder is obviously not an imitation so much as a transfiguration of Addison's tame lines about the spacious firmament on high, whilst the concluding sentence is a bold

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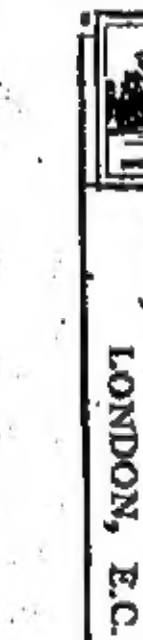
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